

Quarterly Report on the Status of Prison Overcrowding, Second Quarter of 1992

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Section twenty-one of Chapter 799 of the Acts of 1985 directs the Commissioner of Correction to report quarterly on the status of overcrowding in state and county correctional facilities. This statute calls for the following information:

Such report shall include, by facility, the average daily census for the period of the report and the actual census on the first and last days of the report period. Said report shall also contain such information for the previous twelve months and a comparison to the rated capacity of each such facility.

This report presents the required statistics for the second quarter of 1992.

Table 1 provides the DOC figures for the second quarter of 1992. As this table indicates, the DOC population (excluding Bridgewater State Hospital, SDPTC, AC and Longwood T.C.) rose by 171 inmates during the second quarter, an increase of 1.9 percent. At the end of the quarter, the DOC operated with 9,355 inmates in a system with a design capacity of 6,098 -i.e., the DOC operated at 153 percent of design capacity.

Table 2 provides the DOC figures for the previous twelve months - i.e., for the period July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992. These figures indicate that the DOC population increased by 682 or 7.9 percent over this twelve-month period, from 8,673 in July 1991 to 9,355 in June, 1992.

This report was prepared by Ramon Raagas of the Research Division and is based on daily count sheets prepared by the Classification Division. Table 5 is based on Admission and Release rosters submitted by the institutions.

Table 3 presents the county figures for the second quarter of 1992. The county population increased by 94 inmates during this quarter, an increase of 1.2 percent. At the end of the quarter, the county system operated with 7,883 inmates in facilities with a total design capacity of 6,006, - i.e., the county system operated at 131 percent of design capacity.

Table 4 presents the county figures for the previous twelve months. These figures indicate that the county population increased by 1,057 inmates or 15 percent over this twelve-month period, from 6,826 in July 1991 to 7,883 in June 1992.

Table 5 provides statistics on court commitments to the DOC for the first two quarters of 1991 and second quarter 1992. Overall, there has been a decrease of 296, or minus 13 percent, in commitments for 1992 in comparison with the same period in 1991, from 2,208 to 1,912. Commitments to Cedar Junction were down by 96, or minus 8 percent. Commitments to Concord decreased by 159, or minus 35 percent. Overall, male commitments were down by 255, or minus 15 percent from 1991. Commitments to Framingham decreased by 41, or 7 percent.

Table 1
Population in Department of Correction Facilities,
April 1, 1992 to June 30, 1992

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	766	740	804	693	110%
Concord	1241	1226	1278	514	241%
Framingham-ATU	77	85	61	64	120%
Framingham	439	431	436	338	130%
Norfolk	1228	1230	1221	919	134%
Bay State	265	266	266	266	100%
NCCI	918	916	988	518	177%
OCCC	668	673	668	488	137%
SECC	609	614	577	0	n.a.
Shirley-Medium	894	831	938	720	124%
Sub-Total	7105	7012	7237	4520	157%
NCC	268	266	265	150	179%
SECC-Minimum	196	205	189	100	196%
Lancaster-Male	149	151	149	70	213%
Lancaster-Female	94	101	80	59	159%
Plymouth	228	219	260	151	151%
Pondville	200	200	190	100	200%
Shirley-Lower	425	430	425	403	105%
SMCC	193	196	200	198	97%
Warwick	81	87	62	50	162%
Hodder	18	20	20	35	51%
Boston State	99	100	101	55	180%
Park Drive	69	70	62	50	138%
MHHI	57	68	56	81	70%
WSATP	2	1	3	4	50%
Drug Rehab	0	0	0	1	0%
Hillside	38	40	39	40	95%
Charlotte	13	15	12	15	87%
Houston House	4	3	5	15	27%
Day Reporting Center	0	0	0	1	0%
Sub-Total	2134	2172	2118	1578	135%
TOTAL	9239	9184	9355	6098	152%
Bridgewater SH	319	308	322	337	95%
Bridgewater TC	222	223	223	216	103%
Bridgewater AC	272	272	251	430	63%
Longwood TC	117	122	104	123	95%
GRAND TOTAL	10169	10109	10255	7204	141%
Houses of Correction	869	878	867	n.a.	n.a.
Federal Prisons	37	39	37	n.a.	n.a.
Inter-State Contract	59	61	62	n.a.	n.a.

Table 2

**Population in Department of Correction Facilities,
July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992**

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Cedar Junction	744	744	804	693	107%
Concord	1221	1232	1278	514	238%
Framingham-ATU	76	68	61	64	119%
Framingham	407	401	436	338	120%
Norfolk	1260	1310	1221	919	137%
Bay State	245	184	266	266	92%
NCCI	966	1000	988	518	186%
QCCC	671	679	668	488	138%
BCC (closed Jul 91)	4	93	0	0	n.a.
SECC	683	755	577	0	n.a.
Shrly-Med (open Jul 91)	534	0	938	720	74%
Sub-Total	6811	6466	7237	4520	151%
NCC	271	274	265	150	181%
SECC-Minimum	143	110	189	100	143%
Lancaster-Male	149	149	149	70	213%
Lancaster-Female	94	90	80	59	159%
Plymouth	262	298	260	151	174%
Pondville	201	203	190	100	201%
Shirley-Lower	440	466	425	403	109%
SMCC	197	198	200	198	99%
Warwick	85	90	62	50	170%
Hodder	27	33	20	35	77%
Boston State	100	101	101	55	182%
Park Drive	68	74	62	50	136%
MHHI	68	53	56	81	84%
WSATP	2	4	3	4	50%
Drug Rehab	0	0	0	1	0%
Hillside	39	40	39	40	98%
Charlotte	14	14	12	15	93%
Houston House	4	7	5	15	27%
Day Reporting Center	1	3	0	1	100%
Sub-Total	2165	2207	2118	1578	137%
TOTAL	8976	8673	9355	6098	147%
Bridgewater SH	306	294	322	337	91%
Bridgewater TC	230	243	223	216	106%
Bridgewater AC	315	332	251	430	73%
Longwood TC	118	121	104	123	96%
GRAND TOTAL	9945	9663	10255	7204	138%
Houses of Correction	847	823	867	n.a.	n.a.
Federal Prisons	38	35	37	n.a.	n.a.
Interstate Contract	57	60	62	n.a.	n.a.

Table 3
Population in County Correctional Facilities,
April 1, 1992 to June 30, 1992

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Barnstable	160	169	154	110	145 %
Berkshire	163	157	141	126	129 %
Bristol	890	892	900	696	128 %
Dukes	19	17	23	19	100 %
Essex	1094	1078	1130	635	172 %
Franklin	107	109	103	63	170 %
Hampden	565	554	584	372	152 %
Hampden-OUI	125	119	122	125	100 %
Hampshire	262	273	271	263	100 %
Middlesex	976	1021	985	792	123 %
Norfolk	407	389	424	379	107 %
Plymouth	524	532	499	307	171 %
Suffolk-Nashua Street	443	450	450	453	98 %
Suffolk-South Bay	1059	1003	1117	751	141 %
Worcester	905	904	876	790	115 %
Longwood TC	117	122	104	125	94 %
TOTAL	7816	7789	7883	6006	130 %

Table 4
Population in County Correctional Facilities,
July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992

Facility	Average Daily Population	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Design Capacity	%ADP Capacity
Barnstable	151	154	154	110	137%
Berkshire	154	152	141	126	122%
Bristol	803	666	900	696	115%
Dukes	16	16	23	19	84%
Essex	1038	968	1130	635	163%
Franklin	95	98	103	63	151%
Hampden	550	482	584	372	148%
Hampden-OUI	124	123	122	125	99%
Hampshire	264	257	271	263	100%
Middlesex	997	1009	985	792	126%
Norfolk	315	268	424	379	83%
Plymouth	504	490	499	307	164%
Suffolk-Nashua Street	419	390	450	453	92%
Suffolk-South Bay	909	787	1117	751	121%
Worcester	894	845	876	790	113%
Longwood	118	121	104	125	94%
TOTAL	7351	6826	7883	6006	122%

Table 5

Court Commitments to the DOC

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Cedar Junction</u>			
First Quarter	589	539	-8%
Second Quarter	602	556	-8%
Sub-Total Males	1191	1095	-8%
<u>Concord</u>			
First Quarter	259	145	-44%
Second Quarter	199	154	-23%
Sub-Total Males	458	299	-35%
Total Males	1649	1394	-15%
<u>Framingham</u>			
First Quarter	287	243	-15%
Second Quarter	272	275	1%
Sub-Total Females	559	518	-7%
TOTAL	2208	1912	-13%

Technical Notes

1. The official capacity or security level designation for each facility can change for a number of reasons, e.g. expansion of facility beds, decrease of facility beds due to fire, or changes in contracts with vendors. In all tables the capacity and security level reflects the status at the end of the reporting period. The design capacity is reported for correctional facilities in Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4.
2. The population figures for Cedar Junction and Norfolk include both DSU and open population.
3. The population figures for all facilities include both male and female inmates.
4. State inmates housed in the Hampshire county contract program are included in the county population tables as are all other state inmates housed in county facilities.
5. Norfolk includes Braintree, Dedham, and Norfolk Contract. Middlesex includes both Billerica and Cambridge. Berkshire includes the pre-release facility. Suffolk-South Bay includes the contract facility. Essex includes Middleton, and the Lawrence Alternative Center. Bristol includes Dartmouth, Eastern Mass. Alternative Center and Pre-release.
6. Nashua Street inmates housed at other facilities are reported in the counts for the facilities in which they were in custody.
7. The counts reported for MHHI include pre-release inmates and exclude parole inmates housed in those facilities.
8. Longwood Treatment Center is a specialized DOC facility for individuals incarcerated for O.U.I. Because the inmates are county sentenced inmates, the inmate count and bed capacity are included in Tables 3 and 4.
9. Pondville Correctional Center is a minimum/pre-release security facility formerly known as Norfolk Pre-Release Center.

10. Abbreviations and Definitions:

AC	- Addiction Center
ADP	- Average Daily Population
ATU	- Awaiting Trial Unit
BCC	- Boston Correctional Center
DOC	- Department of Correction
Drug Rehab	- Includes Meridian House and Spectrum House
LCAC	- Lawrence Correctional Alternative Center
N.A.	- Not Applicable
MHHI	- Massachusetts Halfway Houses Inc. includes Temporary Housing Project, McGrath House and Brooke House
NCC	- Northeastern Correctional Center
NCCI	- North Central Correctional Institution at Gardner
OCCC	- Old Colony Correctional Center
OUI	- Operating Under the Influence
PRC	- Pre-Release Center
SECC	- Southeastern Correctional Center
SH	- State Hospital
SMCC	- South Middlesex Correctional Center (formerly SMPRC)
SDP	- Sexually Dangerous Person
TC	- Treatment Center
WSATP	- Women's Substance Abuse Treatment Program includes Faith House and Griffin House